any change in make/mark up and the notified price of the bulk drug;

(b) whether such increase has been allowed and based on addition of incidental costs which were not allowed earlier as the market price of the drugs involved was lower than the notified price;

(c) if so, what necessitated the reversal of the decision; and

(d) what is the locus standi of the Drug Prices Review Committee and to whom it is responsible?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) to (c) Prices of a large number of formulations have been fixed/revised as per provisions of DPCO, 1987. Prices of Scheduled formulations depend on several factors in addition to the rate of MAPE and prices of bulk drug concerned, including incidental charges.

(d) The Drug Prices Review Committee is an interministerial Committee which sends its recommndations to the Deptt. of Chemicals and Petro-Chemicals in the Ministry of Industry.

Submission of details of Imports of Drug Intermediates

1561. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per provision 6.7 of measures 1986, all existing drug companies which import drug intermediates and other raw materials from their principals or their associated companies are required to submit the details of such transactions within a period of one month of such imports;

(b) if so, what are the names of the drug companies alongwith names of intermediates and other raw materials imported from their principals and associated companies during 1987;

(c) whether it is a fact that in a number of cases, there is over invoicing and transfer of pricing; and

(d) if so, what system has been evolved by his Ministry to check, monitor and scrutinise such cases?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (c) No company has furnished any such transaction so far.

(d) Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals scrutinise the details available in this regard.

Composition of monitoring cell for drug prices

1562. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1358 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th May, 1988 and state:

(a) how many persons have been appointed in the monitoring cell to monitor the prices of drugs and what functions have been assigned to them;

(a) what are the names of the medicines in the decontrolled category the prices of which have been communicated to the cell and what were the prices of such medicines under DPCO, 1978;

(c) what were the prices of price-decontrolled antidiabeties cough syrups, ATS and vitamin preparation products by leading manufacturers under DPCO, 1979 and at present; and

(d) what are the areas covered by the monitoring cell and whether it is a fact that details of sales turnover are given by the manufacturers in their price revision applications?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Three officials have been appointed in the